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### REORGANIZATION OF DDI

In December, 1981, the office of the Deputy Director for Intelligence (DDI) underwent a dramatic and potentially significant reorganization.

Four functional offices (the Office of Political Analysis, the Office of Economic Research, the Office of Strategic Research, and the Office of Geographic and Societal Research) were dis-established and replaced by five integrated regional offices (USSR, Europe, Near East/South Asia, East Asia/Pacific, Africa/Latin America) and one office considering global issues.

The rationale for this change is to foster interdisciplinary analysis, area specialization, and afford political, economic, and military analysts an opportunity to contribute to one another's product. The Office of Global Issues offers analysis of international economic, political, geographic, and technology issues and special topics that cut across regional lines such as terrorism, narcotics, and weapons proliferation.

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The extent to which the reorganization will serve the goals claimed for it has yet to be established. It has become apparent, however, that long-established patterns and loyalties have been disturbed, creating inevitable dislocations but also offering the potential for a more integrated, interdisciplinary process of analysis.

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